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1. a. Eight warehouses of the JESSEN (N 52/E 56) weapons dump were filled with guns of various types and mortars. *

b. A thousand to twelve hundred troops, between 25 and 30 years of age, were quartered in a cantonment. ** Seventy-five percent of the troops wore red-bordered black epaulets with the crossed-gun barrel insignia, the others wearing red-bordered, black epaulets.

8 July 1949

2. a. About 50 antitank guns and ammunition boxes were entrained at the JESSEN railroad station.

b. Eight heavy antiaircraft guns were parked near the fence of the weapons dump.

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Comment:

* The above report confirms the JESSEN ordnance depot until 8 July 1949. The information contained agrees with previous reports.

** Eight hundred officers, NCO and skilled workmen were reportedly stationed in the ordnance shop in January 1949, whereas the personnel numbered five hundred to six hundred in February 1949.

1 Annex: Ordnance Shop and Distributing Point at JESSEN.

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